Spring 2021 Immigration Guidance

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The Student and Exchange Visitor Program (SEVP) has stated in the December 2020 SEVP Spotlight that "the COVID-19 guidance from March 2020 is still currently in place until further notice." Click here to read the SEVP Broadcast Message.

Enrollment in Online Units

There is no restriction on the number of online classes that count toward full-time enrollment for maintaining Active SEVIS status. Students on Main Campus can enroll in 100 percent online coursework and maintain Active status in SEVIS, however, students who intend to enroll in 100 percent online coursework may face difficulties obtaining an F-1 visa or entering the U.S. for the spring semester. Be prepared to show a class schedule to demonstrate that you do not intend to enroll in 100 percent online coursework.

Continuing Students on Main Campus Outside the US

Continuing students can enroll on Main Campus from outside the U.S. and maintain Active SEVIS status. To report your location outside the U.S., submit the Outside the US for COVID-19 e-form in MyGlobal (under Remote Students). If not already updated, we will add the following comment to the remarks field of your I-20: “Outside the United States due to COVID-19.”

Visas & Entry to the US

You should print the following items to carry with your passport when you enter the U.S.:

- Form I-20 (don't forget to sign!)
- UAccess class schedule showing full-time enrollment, including at least one in-person or flex in-person class

We will continue to update our Frequently Asked Questions below with information regarding the Spring 2021 semester.